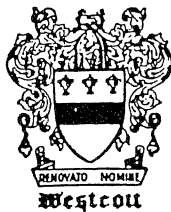


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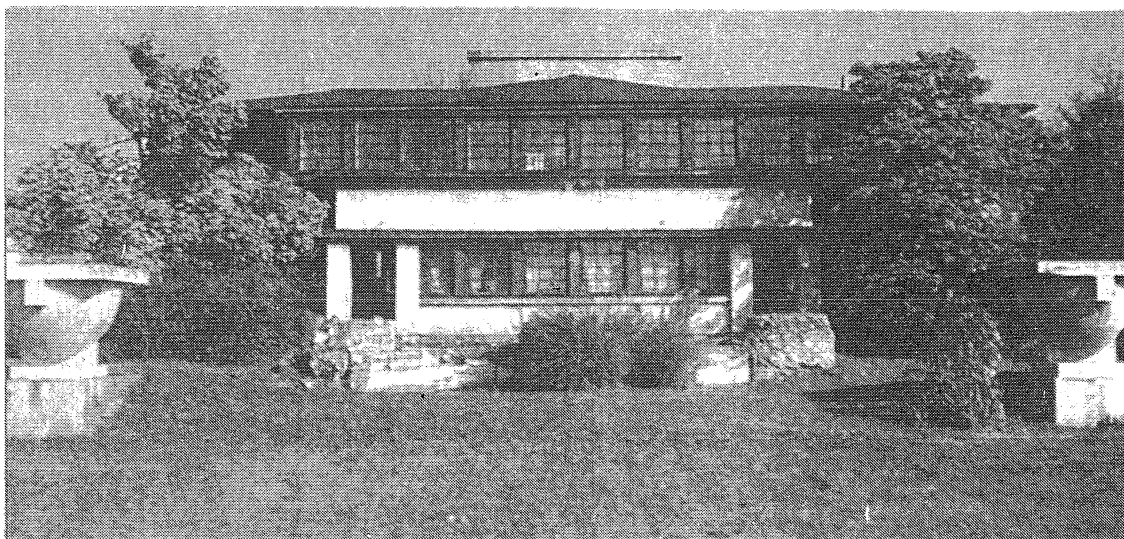
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The Westcott House, shown in Springfield, Ohio, was among the early works of architect Frank Lloyd Wright. The prairie-style house was built in 1904 for Burton Westcott, whose company manufactured luxury touring cars. The house cost \$15,000 at the time, and was purchased in September for \$300,000 by the Frank Lloyd Wright Building Conservancy to be restored.

### Wright Conservancy Buys Westcott House

The Frank Lloyd Wright Building Conservancy has purchased the Westcott House, the only prairie-styled house in Ohio designed by architect, Frank Lloyd Wright. The conservancy plans to resell the house to a locally formed foundation that intends to restore the home so the public can tour it as a museum. It is hoped the museum will open in 2003.

The Westcott House was among Wright's early works. He built it for Burton Westcott, whose company manufactured luxury touring cars. "It is certainly the most important single work of art in Springfield, Ohio, possibly also in the southern part of Ohio," says Mark Chepp, director of the Springfield Museum of Art. "It's kind of hard to overstate the significance of the house, Chepp says. "All the elements that went on to become hallmarks of prairie style are present in this house."

John Thorpe, the conservancy's vice-president for technical services, says Wright was usually involved in the site planning and landscaping. He sculpted the site to create a platform to put the house on. "

Out front is a terrace, a reflecting pool and two massive flower urns. Inside, low ceilings, stained glass skylights and an open, multilevel layout give a spacious feeling.

The house had 12 rooms, including a 20 by 60-foot family room, five bathrooms, a patio terrace cantilevered porches, courtyard, pergola and carriage house featuring a car-sized turntable for forward-gear only autos of the time.

The Westcott house is one of about 350 Wright houses remaining in the world and 11 in Ohio.

Taken from THE SUNDAY POST-JOURNAL, Jamestown, New York - Sunday, December 3, 2000, p. F-one AP Photo

## Chapter News

The Iowa Chapter of the Society of Stukely Westcott Descendants of America met June 11, 2000, at the Comfort Suites in Des Moines, Iowa. Attending were Murray and Connie Smith of Red Oak, Bernice Smith of Elliott, Dean and Marion Timm of Boone, Jim and Helen Westcott of Cedar Rapids, Nancy and Dick Bruckman of Des Moines, Marlin and Marilyn Perdue of Griswold, Tom and Audrey Williams of Lake City, Sara Williams of Des Moines, and Lew and Nancy Westcott of Prairie Village, Kansas.

The first order of business was introductions and getting caught up with everyone's current whereabouts and interests.

President Nancy Bruckman called the meeting to order. Murray Smith discussed transfer of funds to accrue more interest. Motion was made by Dean Timm, seconded by Marlin Perdue to change these funds.

A letter was read from Pauline Dennis pertaining to a Web site for the SSWDA. Discussion ensued for reasons to be labeled as a non-profit organization. Jim Westcott volunteered to respond to her letter.

The recent passing of Roberta Perdue Maxwell, sister of Audrey Perdue Williams, was mentioned.

Jim Westcott will continue to send a newsletter to all Iowa cousins. Please send all correspondence to:

Jim Westcott  
3815 Indiandale Circle  
Cedar Rapids, Iowa 52403

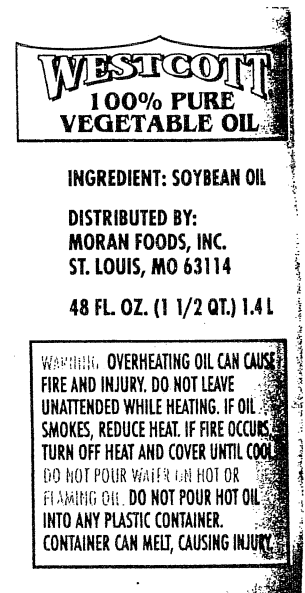
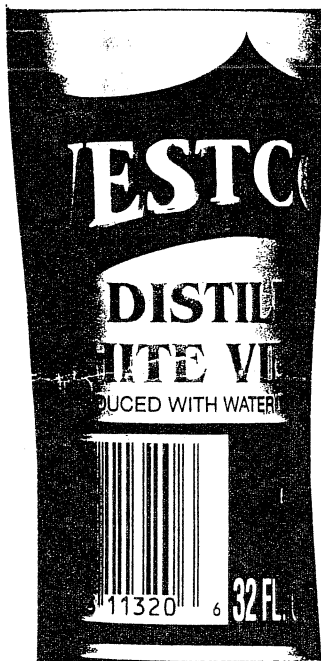
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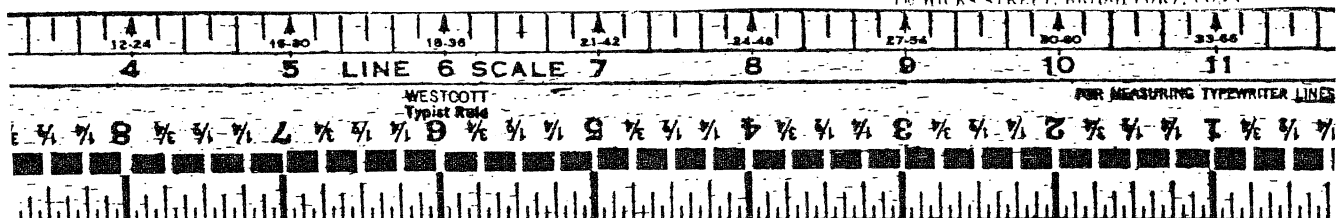
Eleven families plan to attend the National SSWDA reunion in Colorado Springs in August. Sally Williams Winter is the national chaplain. Nancy Bruckman will bring the mugs and notepads left from our hosting of the National to sell at this reunion. Please bring Westcott trivia about the car, wrench, rulers and any other Westcott products.

The 2002 Iowa meeting will be held at the Colorado Grill in Boone, Iowa. Thank you Dean and Marion Timm for this gracious invitation.

Respectfully submitted, Sara Williams



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National Reunion Society of Stukely Westcott Descendants of America  
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Sally Winter	Amus, IA 50010
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Spalkwood & Nauceth Westcott Williams	3455 Cedar Heights Co. Spglo 8090
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Paul Winter	302 W. Madison Lake City, IA 51449

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Dorcas & Paul W. Westcott	762 Kinkadee, N. Tonawanda, NY 14150
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Mindy Jorg	5154 Tower West Blvd. Towson, IA
John & Penny Jorg	3715E Yew Ln. Bend, OR 9770
Bonnie Westcott	90 + Carmel St. Memphis, TN 381
Genae O'Gar	1 Main St #418, San Quentin, CA 9496
Wana Matteson	4-74 48. Ave #88, L.I.C., NY 110
Robert Westcott II	722 Southampton Dr., Palo Alto, CA 94303
Earl & Elda Westcott	1764 W 37th Pl., Tulsa, OK 74107-5603
Jennifer W. Loe	3509 Windmill Ln. Co. Battleboro, NC 27809
Celine M. Loe	44 Summer, Bristol, NH 03222

86 people attended the reunion representing the following states:

Arizona - 6, California - 7, Colorado - 12, Connecticut - 2, Florida - 2, Georgia - 2, Hawaii - 1,  
 Iowa - 18, Illinois - 3, Kansas - 2, Louisiana - 1, Massachusetts - 4, North Carolina - 1, New  
 Hampshire - 1, New York - 7, Ohio - 5, Oklahoma - 2, Oregon - 4, Vermont - 2, Washington - 4.

## of Robert Westcott abt 1624, of Stukely, a Matteson Line to Share

I received your card acknowledging the clippings that I sent. I am sending some more copies of photos that I have. They might be of interest to some of the members. Until the new Westcott book came out, I was not conscious that Mehitable Matteson, wife of William Matteson was a Westcott descendant. I am a Matteson descendant in my own Card family line, many generations back. I also belong to the national Matteson Historical Congress. My great grand father Card's younger sister, Susan married Abner Lewis Matteson, the grandson of William. In working on my Card genealogy, I finally located descendants of Abner and Susan in Michigan. Our family had lost all trace of them, the last known contact was in the 1880's. My grandmother, Lillie Card Westcott Parker told me that her father had a sister who went to Michigan. I finally located an autograph album in which William and Nettie Matteson Foote signed their names in 1886 along with the address of Traverse City in Michigan. From this information, and several phone calls, I located their daughter-in-law there, and little by little, I have located descendants of 5 of the 8 children of Abner and Susan Card Matteson. So far I have not been able to locate descendants of their eldest daughter Phebe Matteson Hutchins, who married and stayed in Ohio, their youngest a son John who married and went to Stevens Point, Wisconsin and the daughter Lois, who married and also remained in Ohio. I did locate descendants of the last two, but they did not answer letters. As the result of my contacts with the descendants, I now have a photograph album that originally belonged to Abner and Susan and located another that is still in Michigan. That one had photographs of Estys and Lydia, which I was lucky to have them copy for me.

I wish I had known the fact that this line was Westcott descendants before the Westcott book was published as I have many records of this Matteson line. I will be most happy to share them with anyone who is interested. William and Mehitable were very early settlers very close to Stow, New York, which is close to where I live, he was the first blacksmith in the township, and one the last Revolutionary War Patriots in Chautauqua County, New York. They are buried on the farm on which they settled between 1810 and 1812 and lived, the exact location of their graves is unknown. Estys and Lydia lived on the same road that I do, before their move to Ohio, and after his service in the Civil War, his soldier's land grant and subsequent removal to Cedar Creek, now Greenwood, Wexford County, Michigan. Greenwood, once a small community with a school, church, cemetery, store is now merely a cluster of homes, the school and church were still standing, but appeared to have very little use when I was there. The cemetery there contains the graves of Abner and Susan and many of their descendants. I was lucky to have Lydia Delano Edwards of Wyoming, Michigan, the great grand-daughter of Abner and Susan give me a tour of the area of Greenwood, several years ago, when she was in her 80's. She has since passed away. We even went to the home of Abner and Susan, and I got a photo of what was left, it was falling in, but I went inside. The lilies of the valley were still growing in profusion around it. I brought some home and now have a patch of them, grown from those that Susan cultivated so many years ago. I located the copy of the inventory of the estate of Abner in the court house in Cadillac and am enclosing a copy for interest.

William and Mehitable Matteson's daughter Mehitable #334 in the Westcott Book, lived here in Blockville, the small town close to my home and I personally know some of her descendants, one, Mrs. Juanita Fishell Burnham was my second and third grade teacher in country school. Mehitable and Isaac are buried in the little local cemetery here, in Blockville, and some of their descendants also.

Sincerely  
Frank

Frank Schruis  
2113 Open Meadows  
Ashville, New York 14710

Rev. Estys Matteson<sup>7</sup>, (Mehitable<sup>6</sup>, Zorobabel<sup>5</sup>, Margaret Westcott<sup>4</sup>, Zorobabel<sup>3</sup>, Robert<sup>2</sup>, Stukely<sup>1</sup>) born 1791; married Lydia Phillips abt 1817; he died 1857



Lydia Phillips  
wife of Estys



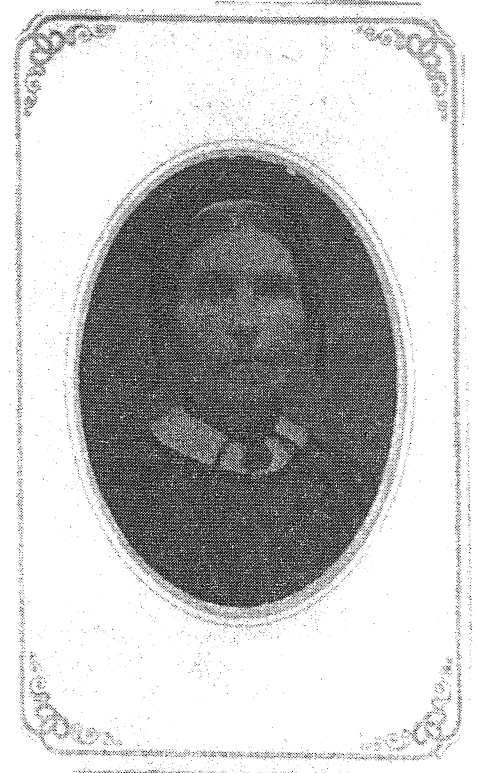
Estys Matteson  
1791-1857



Abner Lewis Matteson  
son of Estys



Susan Card Matteson  
wife of Abner



Matilda Matteson  
dau. of Estys

A few of the many pictures from the photograph album found among the Matteson line contacts by Frank Schruis

## From the letter Box

### From Verner Utke-Ramsing of Virginia

Mark Wilde Ramsing, son of an early member of the Westcott Society, Sylvia Martin, granddaughter of one of the founding members of the Westcott Society, Harvey and Margaret Westcott of Binghamton, New York, has been appointed Project Director for the recovery and conservation of the artifacts from the Queen Anne : Revenge. The Queen Anne: Revenge, the flagship of the Pirate, Blackbeard, was recently discovered in the Beaufort Inlet, Beaufort, North Carolina. The ship foundered while transiting the inlet in 1718.

The project has been featured on the Discovery Channel and more recently on the Good Morning America program.

Mark received his undergraduate degree at Wake Forest University and his Masters degree in Archaeology at Catholic University.

All the best, Verner Utke-Ramsing

### From Kathy Cartier of Oregon

My daughter, Kendra, had the great experience of representing Crook County High School of Prineville with her team, the Cowgirls, at the Class 4A volleyball championship tournament in Portland, Oregon.

This was the first time since 1981 that the school team has made it to postseason play.

Prineville is very proud of our volleyball team, who finished 11<sup>th</sup> in the state.



### From Arlene Dole of New Hampshire

My grandson, Gary Calkins, Jr. has started his own business in Lyndon Center, Vermont.

It is called forkdesign inc., a visual design and communications company.

He can be reached at [www.forkdesign.com](http://www.forkdesign.com)

## Birth

Blake Michael Flynn was born Sept. 23, 2000 to Kerry and Brandon Flynn in Phoenix, Arizona. Grandmother, Lynda McGuirk, Kerry and Blake are planning to visit great grandmother Pauline Dennis Schumann, and great - great grandmother Mabel L. Wescott, in Vermont in June for a 5 generation visit and picture.

## Paul Lewis

RIVERTON - Paul Ralph Lewis, 79, died on Sunday Sept. 24 at his home. He was the husband of Edna Louise (Jay) Lewis.

Born in Middletown Springs, Vt. on Oct. 21, 1920, he was a son of the late Thurston Frank and Elva (Greene) Lewis. He was a 1938 graduate of Middletown Springs High School and graduated from Vermont Agricultural College in Randolph, Vt. He worked with his father on the family farm until he was inducted into the U.S. Army in 1942, serving with the Fifth Army Signal Corp. until the end of WWII. After being honorably discharged from the military, he returned to his hometown of East Poultney and became active in civic and Church work.

He spent 28 years in civilian work with the U.S. Army Corp of Engineers, New England Division in the capacity of Manager of flood control dams, receiving numerous government citations and awards for superior workmanship. He spent eight years at Townshend Dam & Recreational area and also supervised the Ball Mountain Dam, at Jamaica, Vt. In 1969 he moved to Ct. and assumed the control of the new Colebrook River Project, retiring to Riverton in 1985.

While residing in Townshend, he was a member of the Federated Church & the Church Choir. He also served as a Boy Scout leader and a member of the Blazing Star Lodge #23, F&AM, the Vt. State Association, Order Eastern Star. He was a lifetime member of the Society of Stukley Westcott Descendents of America, serving on the board of officers as Treasurer for 14 years. After retiring to Riverton, he became a member of the First Church of Winsted where he was a member of the church choir and instrumental in organizing the First Church Children's Discovery Center. He was also a Board Member and supporter of the Church in the Wildwood in North Colebrook.

In addition to his wife of 57 years, he is survived by two sons, Paul Lewis of Washington, D.C. and Daniel Lewis of Weinheim, Germany; granddaughters, Kristen VanTassell of Tulsa, Okla, Marieke Lewis of Alexandria, VA; two brothers, Albert Lewis of East Poultney, Vt., and Thurston Lewis of Portsmouth, N.H.; one sister, Dorothy Parrin of Staughton, Mass., six nieces, one nephew and four great-grandchildren.

He was preceded in death by his parents and one sister, Alice McMorrow.

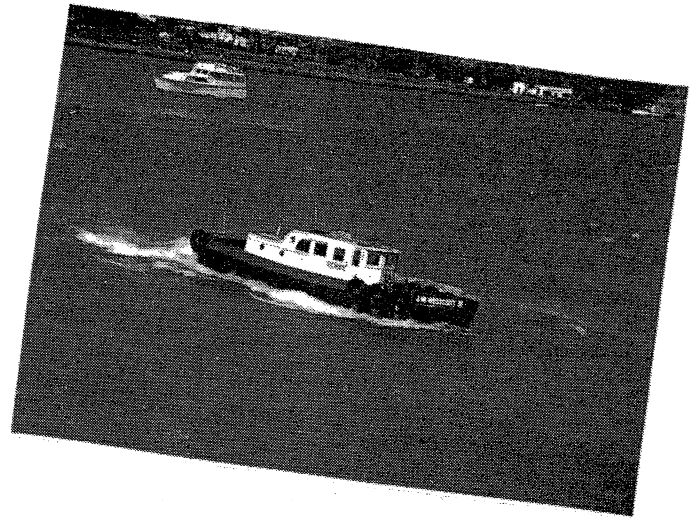
There are no calling hours.

Funeral services will be held on Sunday, Oct. 1 at the United Baptist Church of Poultney at 1 p.m., the Rev. Stephen Payne will officiate. Burial will follow in Wells, Cemetery, Wells, Vt.

Fraternal services and military honors will be conducted by the Morning Star Lodge #37 F&AM and the J. Claire Carmondy Post #39, American Legion of Poultney, Vt. at the graveside committal service.

There will be a Hymn Sing in his honor on Oct. 8 at 3 p.m. at the Church in the Wildwood, Colebrook, Ct.

Memorial contributions may be made to the First Church Children's Discovery Center, c/o Paul & Edna Lewis Scholarship Fund, First Church of Winsted, 95 North Main St., Winsted, Ct. 06098 or to the Church in the Wildwood Building Fund, c/o Gary Forster, Treas., YMCA Camp Jewel, 6 Prock Hill Rd., Colebrook, Ct. 06021-0008.



## THE J.W. WESTCOTT MAILBOAT

The nations smallest zip code is 48222. It is 45 feet long and 13 feet wide. It is known as the J.W. WESTCOTT II. (Detroit River in my zip code book). The office is located just south of the Ambassador Bridge between Detroit and Windsor, Ontario, Canada.

Crewmen who ply the Great Lakes often have no contact with the outside world for weeks at a time. The Detroit River shipping season is about 8 months long while the river is ice free.

The Dec. 1950 National Geographic article reports that cargoes and destinations were frequently top secret and the Westcott relayed many confidential orders and information between the shipowners and ship captains.

Capt. John Ward Westcott started the mail boat in 1874. His father, David Henry Westcott was a fireman on the "Huron" and later became one of the leading Captains on the Great Lakes. John bought a rowboat and went out to meet passing ships. He delivered mail to crewman for 25 cents a letter. Next came fresh food and other items. In 1950, coffee was one of the major items and the company kept a large blackboard chart listing the kinds of coffee used on each ship, and the grind, whether drip or perc. Also newspapers and marine parts were supplied.

Mary Jane (Ward) Westcott at 83 years told the story of coming face to face with a young man upon leaving the store on Mackinaw Island where she was living. With her fathers permission, they headed for Detroit to be married. But a Justice of the Peace was on board, so they were married on the ship.

The spring of the year 2000 begins the 126 year of service.

The lineage goes Stukely (1), Jeremiah (2), Josiah (3), Caleb (4), Gardiner (5), John (6), Horace (7), David Henry (8), John Ward (9).

In 1996 the "Hogan" joined the aging J.W. Westcott II. Today the company is managed by James Michael Hogan, Great Grandson of the founder, Capt. John Ward Westcott.